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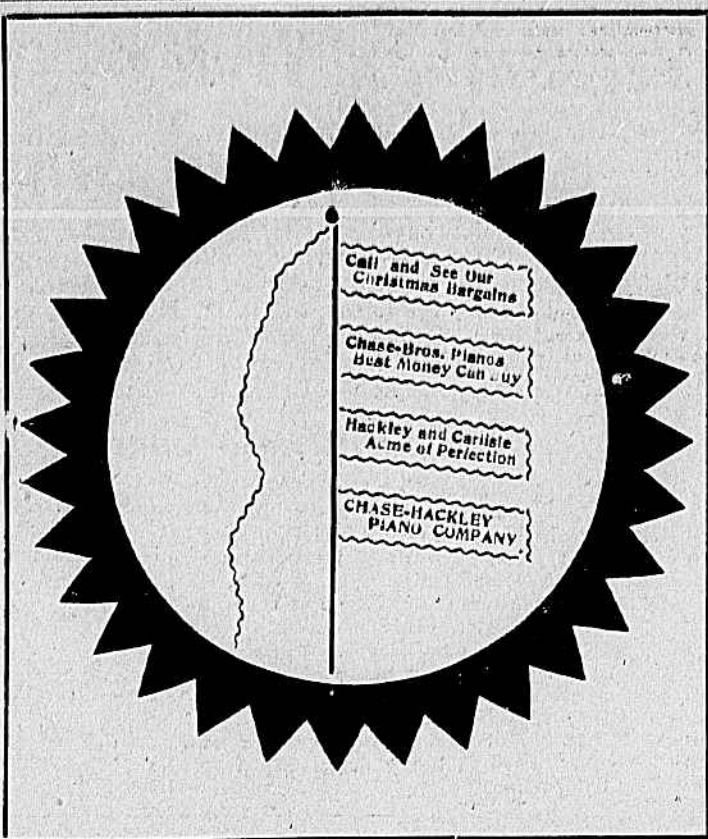
ROBERT BRADLEY'S RUNNERS

North Carolina Trotters—Sale of Forney, 2:19 1-4—Jay Boy, 2:22 1-4—Other Items.

The Virginia Polytechnic School Riding Club has recently been organized at Blacksburg, Va., and its future outlook is bright. Later this organization will be most likely merged into a hunt club. Dr. J. G. Farnsworth, the State Veterinarian at Blacksburg, is president; Prof. Bolton McBryde, vice-president; Major T. G. Wood, secretary and treasurer. Among those who ride with the club are Professors McBryde, Wilson, Dahney, Moncure and Farnsworth, Dr. Farnsworth, Mr. Dahney, Cadet R. E. Farnsworth, Major Wood, Mrs. R. E. Farnsworth, Misses Virginia and Pickett Heath, Ethel Lockwood, Susie McBryde and Mamie Lucy. Dr. Farnsworth, president of the club, has recently purchased for a hunter the handsome thoroughbred gelding by Eric, dam Glissey Girl, and changed his name from Commonwealth to Tempest.

Robert Bradley's stable of runners has done pretty well at Chicago this season, being credited with winning about \$10,000. Racing for the season has ended at the "Windy City," and the stable is now at the Benning track, Washington, D. C., taking part in the meeting of the Washington Jockey Club. Peter Paul, the two-year-old son of Aloha and Eminence, by imported Kyrie Daly, who was such a consistent winner during the early part of the season, is being given a well-earned rest, and Mr. Bradley looks upon him now as the winner of the Chicago Derby for 1904. From Washington, the stable will be shipped to the Bradley Farm, Wilcox Wharf, Va., and wintered there. Among Mr. Bradley's yearlings, most of whom are by Aloha, the sire of Robert Waddell, are some fine prospects, and from the lot he looks for several real good ones, probably the equal of Peter Paul.

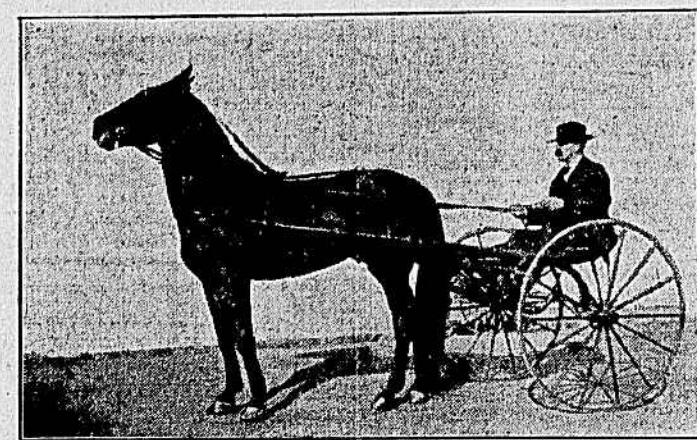
George M. Harden, of Raleigh, N. C., has returned home after quite a successful campaign through the Maryland and Virginia and North Carolina circuits of fairs and race meetings. With Petronel, 2:19 1-4, by Expedition, 2:15 3-4, dam Petrel, by Onward, he won the last



six races in which she started, and the big chestnut mare is still eligible to the 2:20 class. The bay mare Amy, record 2:20 this season, purchased not long since of Richard Cromwell, Jr., of Baltimore, has trialed in 2:20 1-2, and seems likely to trot much faster with further development. She has raised two colts, Amy, and a son, by Ewood, 2:18 1-2, dam the great brood-mare Virginia Maid, dam of Mousie, 2:09 1-4, etc., by Sam Purdy. The bay gelding Sweet Rector, by Direct, 2:17 1-4, dam Sweet Aloha, by Alcazar, is being driven on the road. John Trotwood Moore, the Tennessee bred pacer, bay stallion, 4, by Hal Woolridge, worked a mile in 2:22, quarters in 21 1-2 seconds. He was not started this season, but was kept over, and should do to campaign in 1904.

Jay Boy, 2:14, the big bay stallion by Wilkes Boy, owned by E. A. Woodell, formerly of Danville, Va., but now of Atlanta, Ga., is in winter quarters near the latter city. Jay Boy trotted a trial in 2:15 3-4 in 1902, but was troubled with a sore mouth that made him unsteady, and his true form was not shown in races. The son of Wilkes Boy, however, made good this fall, and won a number of races, one of them a contest of five heats, during the same week at Birmingham, Ala., in October, and made a record of 2:22 1-4. Jay Boy was foaled in 1891,

and bred by J. W. Bethell, Sharp, N. C., who owned the dam, Lena Wilkes, by Jay Bird from Patchena, by Mambrino Patchen, 58, next dam Vandalla, thor-



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oughbred, by Vandal, son of imported Glencoe.

A very prominent performer on the great Harlem River Speedway, New York, is the chestnut gelding Angelus, 2:12 1-4, a Virginia bred trotter, who was foaled in 1901, and made his record in Cleveland in 1895. This tall son of the dead pacer stallion Whiffy, 2:12 1-4, and Winnifred, by Brennan, thoroughbred son of Orion, was bred by the late Thomas M. Hewitt, of North Bend Farm, near Weyanoke, on the James River, and was always speedy, from his yearling form up. Neilson, grand dam of Angelus, produced the big bay gelding Roy, 2:30, the only standard performer to the credit of Carlos, the son of Crotcheton, that formerly headed the stud of the late Colonel J. L. Carrington. Neilson was sired by Star of the West, son of Curlew, by Revenue, and back of the thoroughbred infusion came a cross of Morgan blood.

Mr. A. B. Gwathmey, of New York, has sold to E. E. Taylor, Washington, D. C., the fast trotter Forney, 2:16 1-4, by Sid Veyanoke, dam by Bendigo; bred on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. When just right this horse can show a half close to one minute, and has stepped shorter distances at even a faster rate of speed. Mr. Gwathmey was not over-anxious to sell Forney, but owing Tiverton, 2:11 1-4; Senator Mills, 2:12 1-4, king of the Harlem River Speedway, and other crack performers, he consented to part with the Sidney Prince gelding.

The good looking bay gelding, Te Ro Leon, 2:28 1-4, by Red Leo, 2:26 1-4, dam Te Rose, by Mecca, is being jogged on the road by his owners, Rhodes and Bannister, of Roanoke, Va. He was bred at Walton Farm, Falls Mills, Va. Te Ro Leon was trained this season by Wilton Greenway, Towson, Md., who gave the bay stallion his record. Greenway also had out and won several races with the fast chestnut mare Marjorie Z., 2:19 1-2, also sired by Red Leo, and bred and owned at Walton Farm.

"West Cairns," the picturesque home of the young authors, students of pedigrees and breeders of thoroughbred horses, Kenneth Brown and H. B. Boone, near Charlottesville, has been leased by its owners for a couple of years. Mr. Brown has removed to New York to continue literary work, and Mr. Boone goes to Italy, where he will study art. Messrs. Brown and Boone own the stallion Chickadee, son of Mr. Pickwick, and some choice bred brood-mares and colts.

The handsome bay mare, eight years old, by Walsboro, 1872, son of Abdallah Wilkes, bred and owned by Mr. R. H. Lee, Hampton, Va., was mated this season with Pilot Medium, Jr., 2:00 3-4, and appears to be in foal. Mr. Lee, who is a son of the late Judge Baker P. Lee, and a brother of the well known Virginia Rev. Baker P. Lee, Jr., of Lexington, Ky., is a student of pedigrees and a fancier of high class harness horses.

The stable of steeplechase horses, eleven in number, owned by the former Virginians, Messrs. A. B. and J. Temple Gwathmey, father and son, of the Cotton Exchange, New York, who are under the nom de plume of "Mr. Cotton," has been sent to Canada to be wintered. The Messrs. Gwathmey's stable includes the new brown gelding Ephonia, 6, by imported Rigoletto, dam Vestalia, by Tom Ochiltree, who was bred by Robert Neville, Woburn, Va.

J. E. Lane's bay gelding, Imperialist, 6, by Norwood, dam Gemina, by Helmdal won the Chevy Chase steeplechase for gentlemen riders at Washington on the 1st inst. He was cleverly ridden by young Dion Kerr, of Warrenton, Va., and won pulled up. A few days previous this Virginia bred son of Norwood also won the Bladensburg steeplechase with Jockey Robinson up.

A movement is on foot by the Road Drivers' and Riders' Association, of Washington, of which General Nelson A. Miles is president, to build a fine roadway on the Virginia side of the Potomac. Reclaimed ground beyond the Long Bridge will be used for the purpose, and the project is heartily approved by owners and fanciers of speedy harness horses at the national capital. Blue and Gray, chestnut horse, foaled

1892, by Hindoo, dam Blue and Gray, by Atlanta, second dam famous Maggie B. B., dam of Ironclads, by imported Australian, was recently purchased by J. M. B. Lewis, of Lynchburg, Va., at W. T. Woodward's sale of thoroughbreds, Lexington, Ky. Mr. Lewis paid \$120 for this well bred son of Hindoo, and apparently got a bargain.

White Oak Maid, the high-stepping trotting-bred mare, with whom Mr. Richard Vanderbilt captured several prizes at the New York Horse Show, was purchased during the past winter by Mr. Vanderbilt from Jack Spratley, Dendron, Va. The latter obtained the mare in Kentucky and brought her to his farm in Sussex county, Va.

At the fall meeting of the Los Angeles Racing Association, Los Angeles, Cal., the Virginia thoroughbred steeple, 1200 and imported Water Level, were represented by winners of two races each. Bon heads the Ellerside stud of R. J. Hancock & Son, while Water Level is premier at the Anita stud of J. D. Payne.

The Ellerside bred filly, Chanterelle, 4, by imported Charaxus, dam Ada Belle, by Eolus, has won several races at Lexington this fall. Chanterelle started in a number of races during 1903, winning three and finishing second and third in some half dozen others.

Miracle II, chestnut gelding, 4, by Miracle, dam Annie L., by Startle, recently won a mile and one hundred yards at Oakland, Cal. Miracle II was bred by Robert Bradley, Wilcox Wharf, Va., who formerly raced him.

BROAD ROCK.

### SUBDUED THE DOG.

Negroes Form a Club and Demand Higher Wages.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
COMORN, VA., Nov. 28.—A well known colored woman of this neighborhood adopted a novel method some days ago to save herself from a dog bite. She was approaching the house of one of her white neighbors, when the alert plantation dog sprang at her with the ferociousness of a tiger. Having no club or other



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weapon with which to defend herself, the old woman seized a broad plank, which happened to be in easy reach, threw it upon the vicious canine, at the same instant jumping on the plank and with her burlesque of the top side, held the dog down long enough to give him such a terrible mashing and squeezing that he was more than willing to dash away in another direction, when the woman stepped off the plank. The brute remembered the little mashing incident so well that when that old woman calls at the home now he is careful to keep at a good safe distance from her, never questioning her right to enter the premises from any or all directions.

Mr. William P. Stevens, who is extensively engaged in the saw-mill and lumber business, was taken very ill at one of his saw-mills in Caroline county some days ago and sent to Igo, this county, for his wife. Although his condition was critical and his malady thought to be typhoid fever, the wife decided to move him home and arrived with him yesterday, having notified Dr. W. Minor, of that place to be at the bedside of the ill man immediately on his arrival.

An eighteen-year-old son of Mr. Stephens was seized with typhoid fever at the same saw-mill in Caroline some weeks ago and died in about two weeks after he was brought to his home on this side of the Rappahannock.

Some of the colored men, who have just returned to their homes here from Pennsylvania and New Jersey, where they have been working since last spring, positively declare to have farm work here at the old prices of fifty cents per day and board. They declare that they have earned a "club" and pledged not to work any more without a large increase of pay.

Miss Jennette B. Jeter, a well known lady of the local neighborhood, is mentioned in this correspondence, is growing rapidly weaker, and her relatives and friends no longer entertain a hope for her recovery.

### JOHN BROWN IN KING GEORGE CO.

He Gained Access to the Negroes by Practicing on Them as a Physician.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

COMORN, VA., Nov. 28.—Discussion of the subject in recent issues of The Times-Dispatch recalls the fact that John Brown, of ante-bellum notoriety, visited this (King George) county and spent some time here. He gained the confidence of some of the leading citizens in this section, and, passing himself as "Dr. McLean," "practiced" on nearly all the ailing colored people in the community, thus having ample opportunity to spend a good deal of his time with the slaves on a number of the largest plantations here. Traveling under the "laking" alias of Dr. McLean, with a clever outfit of drugs and medicines, the old insurrectionist was cordially received and royally entertained by some of the wealthiest slave owners in King George, and he did not leave the county until he had fully unfolded to the negroes his awful plans for wholesale murder and bloodshed.

The people here knew little or nothing of Yankee tricks and professional tricksters in those days, being honest themselves, they knew not how to suspect others of wanton dishonesty. The manner in which John Brown was received and entertained here shows to what degree the Virginia people were unsuspecting, kind and hospitable.

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